

2011- 2012

Child Development

Name:

Due January 11, 2012

[CHILD DEVELOPMENT EXAM]

The cost of raising a child in the United States today is quite expensive. This project will demonstrate some of the cost you will encounter. Due January 11, 2012.

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Semester Exam Option 2

1. Calculate the cost of raising a child using this calculator- <http://www.babycenter.com/cost-of-raising-child-calculator>
2. Access at least 2 other sites/articles about the cost of raising a child in the United States
 - a. Write a minimum of two page paper regarding cost of raising a child in the United States
 - b. Include at least a paragraph about raising you. Interview your family about the financial aspects of raising you
 - c. Sample interview questions:
 - i. How much did it cost for my delivery?
 - ii. What is most expensive part of raising me?
 - iii. Do you plan on paying for my college?
 - iv. Do you plan on paying for my wedding?
 - v. Should finances enter into decision to have a child?
 - vi. Etc.
3. Your paper should:
 - a. Be typed: times new roman, size 12, double spaced, standard margins
 - b. Spell checked and proof read for errors
 - c. Use conventional writing standards
 - d. Cited and a bibliography included
4. Complete the following charts for baby necessities. Include copies of any magazines or copies of any online sources you use to get prices. (see attached charts)
 - a. First estimate the cost you believe it will cost for each item
 - b. Locate prices of the items by going to stores, using baby catalogues or visiting online sites. Online sites will require copies of the site with the prices visible.

BABY CARE ITEM <u>ONE YEAR SUPPLY</u>	ESTIMATED COST	ACTUAL COST	WHERE PRICE LOCATED
FEEDING			
Formula ₁			
6 baby bottles			
6 replacement nipples			
6 bibs			
24 boxes of infant cereal			
430 jars of baby food			
1 feeding dish			
3 baby spoons			
SUBTOTAL			
Bathing			
Baby bathtub			
Sitting ring for tub			
Baby shampoo (2-3 btls.)			
Baby wash (2-3 btls)			
Baby nail clippers			
Baby oil and lotion			
Baby powder			
520 cotton balls			
5 baby towels			
5 baby wash cloths			
SUBTOTAL			

SLEEPING			
1 crib			
1 mattress			
2 waterproof mattress covers			
3 sets of sheets			
1 bumper pad set			
4 blankets			
4 blanket sleepers			
6 sleepers			
SUBTOTAL			
MEDICAL CARE/SAFETY			
Pediatrician visits			
Baby vitamins			
Baby nose drops			
Baby thermometer (ear or forehead)			
Safety covers/locks for drawers			
Safety covers for outlets			
2 safety gates			
Playpen			
High chair			
Baby swing			
Bassinet or cradle			

Infant back facing car seat			
Infant front facing car seat			
SUBTOTAL			
DRESSING			
<u>Yearly supply of diapers: choose one</u> disposable diapers (320 per month) or 3 dozen cloth diapers or 1 year supply of diaper service			
12 diaper pants for cloth or diaper service			
40 undershirts (multiple sizes)			
10 onesies			
12 pairs socks (various sizes)			
1 winter coat or snow suit			
1 pair mittens			
2 lightweight jackets (different sizes)			
1 stocking cap			
1 hat			
20 outfits (various sizes)			
4 pair booties			
2 pair shoes (different sizes)			
SUBTOTAL			
EXTRA'S			
Washer and dryer			

Camera and film			
1 doz. Cloth diapers or burp cloths			
Back pack carrier or front carrier			
Toys			
Diaper pail			
Diaper bag for mom and one for dad			
Other:			
SUBTOTAL			
GRAND TOTAL FOR YEAR 1			

Amount of formula needed per day			
Baby's Age	Ounces per day, minimum	Ounces per day, maximum	Ounces per day, Average
0-3 weeks	14	28	21
3 weeks-2 months	21	32	26.5
2-6 months	24	40	32
6-9 months	24	32	28
9-12 months	18	32	25